

Tuesday, July 29, 2003

Property Hazard Removed

The City of Leesburg has begun proactive demolition of condemned standing sub-standard houses.

On July 23rd at 7:30 a.m. demolition began at 2107 Waittman Avenue. The abandoned house had suffered fire damage in May, was not properly maintained, and had become a hazardous situation.

According to Leesburg Police Department staff, numerous complaints were received from neighboring residents about the former house being a visual nuisance, as well as concern for children playing inside of the unsafe structure.

The City also removed a fire damaged pick up truck from the property and had to mow three-foot high grass prior to demolition.

After being offered the opportunity to either secure the house or have it removed, the Witman Avenue property owner volunteered to let the City demolish the condemned house.

This demolition was the City's first of several scheduled demolitions to occur by the end of September, in an effort to provide safety prevention and more appropriate land utilization.



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